

Graphical Method and System for Accessing Information on a Communications Network

Abstract

5 A system and computer-based method for permitting a computer system
to access a network location using a browser application by activating a desktop
icon. The system comprises a first computer readable program code means for
causing the computer system to display a desktop icon associated with a file
containing a network address corresponding to the network location. When the
desktop icon is activated, a second computer usable program code means causes
10 the computer to launch an instance of a browser application or a new window for
a currently executing browser application and a third computer usable program
code means causes the computer system to pass the network address to the
browser application, thereby accessing the network location.